Third Floor

Law Library Navy Recruiting Office Storage Room

In 1954 an annex was added to the rear of the court-house to help alleviate the crowded condition caused by necessary expansion of most county functions. The breakdown of departments housed in the annex's three floors is as follows:

First Floor Office of the Tax Supervisor

Second Floor Office of the County Auditor

Third Floor

Auxiliary Courtroom
Photostat Room
Conference Room

The original courthouse has served its purpose well.

But today it is overcrowded and inefficient to operate.

The Clerk of Court and the Register of Deeds offices must function from two levels. Eleven men are crowded in the Sheriff's three small offices. The County Commissioners Meeting Room is too small to accommodate large numbers of people for public meetings. The new Court Reform Program requires that separate courtroom facilities be provided for both district and superior courts. Prior to this program the county court used the auxiliary courtroom in the courthouse annex when the superior court was in session. This auxiliary courtroom is too small to accommodate the county or district court. The courtroom used by the superior court in the courthouse is large enough, but needs some extensive modernizing.

The courthouse annex is adequate for the functions housed at the present time. However, in December of 1968, the district court can no longer use the large courtroom in the courthouse, and the auxiliary courtroom in the annex is not large enough. Additional space will have to be acquired. When this is done the auxiliary courtroom could function as expansion room for other crowded offices.